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The following items were adopted at the August 6, 1998, Commission meeting and released later that day.

NEWS RELEASES

FCC LAUNCHES INQUIRY, PROPOSES ACTIONS TO PROMOTE THE DEPLOYMENT OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES BY ALL PROVIDERS. The Commission initiated two proceedings intended to create marketplace conditions conducive to the nationwide deployment of advanced telecommunications services, such as high-speed Internet access and video telephony, by all providers. CC -98-78, CC-98-91, CC-98-147. Report No: CC-98-24. by NOI and MO&O/NPRM. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. Dkt No.: CC-98-146,98-78, et-. al.. (FCC No. 98-187, 98-188) CCB. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1998/nrcc8057.html

COMMISSION REVISES PROGRAM ACCESS ENFORCEMENT PROCESS. The Commission adopted an order revising its program access rules to further the Commission's goal of increasing competition in the market for multichannel video programming by improving access to programming for all providers. Report No: CS-98-14. by Order. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. Dkt No.: CS-97-248. (FCC No. 98-189) News Media Contact: Morgan Broman (202) 418-2358. CSB Contact: Steve Broeckaert and Deborah Klein at (202) 418-7200, TTY: (202) 418-7172. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/News_Releases/1998/nrcb8019.html

FCC PROPOSES TO REFORM INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS POLICY. Proposed rules to reform the international settlement policy to promote greater competition and lower international calling prices. The Commission proposed to lift regulations under the existing policy that restricts the kinds of arrangements U.S. carriers may enter into with foreign telecommunications carriers in World Trade Organization member countries. Report No: IN-98-44. by NPRM. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. Dkt No.: IB-98-148. (FCC No. 98-190) News Media Contact: Rosemary Kimball (202) 418-0500. IB Contact: Robert McDonald at (202) 418-1476. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/News_Releases/1998/nrin8026.html

FCC ADOPTS RULES FOR LICENSING LARGEST BLOCK OF PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SPECTRUM EVER ALLOCATED. Adopted rules for licensing the largest block of spectrum ever allocated at one time for public safety services. The Commission announced a plan to establish a National Coordination Committee that will seek accreditation from the American National Standards Institute and be charged with, among other things, developing national standards for operation and use of the spectrum allocated for nationwide interoperability. Report No: WT-98-24. by 1st R&O & 3rd NPRM. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. Dkt No.: WT-96-86. (FCC No. 98-191) News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0654. WTB Contact: Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: (202) 418-0680. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/News_Releases/1998/nrw18033.html

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The following items are dated for and released on August 7, 1998:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC FILINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/filings.html>

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/calendar.html>

OPEN PROCEEDINGS. OPA Contact: Public Service Division: Martha Contee at (202) 418-0260, TTY: (202) 418-2555. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/oproceed.html>

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: August 7, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG. Public Reference Log: 08/06/98. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt080698.pdf

Report No: 1194. Released: August 7, 1998. CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND OTHER FILINGS.

Report No: TEL-175-A. Released: August 7, 1998. STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AND SECTION 310(B)(4) APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. (Formal Section 63.18). Contact:

International Reference Center: (202) 418-1492. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1998/pnin8197.txt

Released: August 7, 1998. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE PROCEEDINGS. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/Exparte/1998/ex980807.html

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JONES COMMUNICATIONS OF MARYLAND, INC. Granted in part and denied in part Petition for Reconsideration. Granted a complaint filed against the February 1, 1998 cable programming services tier rate increases in Prince George's County, MD. Action by Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 4, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1558). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981558.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Orange County, FL (FL0569). Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1546). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981546.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Orange County, FL (FL0252). Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1548). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981548.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, NC. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1555). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981555.wp>

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Indianapolis, IN. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1556). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981556.wp>

PRIME CABLE OF ALASKA. Denied a complaint filed against the cable programming services tier in Anchorage, AK. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 5, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1568). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981568.wp>

LAKE COUNTY CABLEVISION. Approved the refund plan Lake County Cablevision filed for Leesburg, FL. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1547). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981547.wp>

MULTIMEDIA CABLEVISION, INC. Denied complaints filed against the rate increase for cable programming services tier charged by Multimedia Cablevision in multiple communities of Oklahoma. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 3, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1542). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981542.wp>

AMENDMENT OF PART 90 CONCERNING THE COMMISSION'S FINDER'S PREFERENCE RULES. Amended Part 90 of the Rules to eliminate the finder's preference program in the 220-222 MHz band and in the 470-512 MHz, 800 MHz, and 900 MHz Private Land Mobile Radio bands. Dkt No.: WT-96-199. Action by the Commission. Adopted: July 29, 1998. by R&O. (FCC No. 98-182). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/fcc98182.wp>

ADDENDA: The following items, released August 6, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 151:

NEWS RELEASES

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF BENCHMARKS ORDER MARKED BY RAPID DECLINE IN ACCOUNTING RATES. Report No: IN-98-45. Adopted: August 6, 1998. IB Contact: Telecommunications Division, International Bureau: Ken Stanley at (202) 418-1486. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/News_Releases/1998/nrin8027.wp

FCC ADOPTS PARTITIONING AND DISAGGREGATION RULES FOR 220 MHZ LICENSES. The Commission has adopted a Fifth R&O amending part 90 of the Commission's rules to adopt geographic partitioning and spectrum disaggregation rules for the 220-222 MHz service. Report No: WT-98-25. by 5th R&O. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: August 4, 1998. (FCC No. 98-186) News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0654. WTB Contact: Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: Scott Mackoul at (202) 418-7240. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/News_Releases/1998/nrwl8034.wp

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No: SPB-135. Released: August 6, 1998. INTERNATIONAL BUREAU SATELLITE POLICY BRANCH INFORMATION: EXTENSION OF COMMENT DEADLINES FOR AMENDMENT TO SKYBRIDGE APPLICATION. Contact: International Bureau: Kathleen Campbell at (202) 418-0753 or Alexandra Field (202) 418-2064. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1998/pnin8209.wp

Report No: 44299. Released: August 6, 1998. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac980806.txt

Report No: 24299. Released: August 6, 1998. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap980806.txt

Report No: B-216. Released: August 6, 1998. NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM BROADCAST APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND NOTIFICATION OF CUT-OFF DATE.Cut-Off Date: 09/09/98. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Radio_Cutoffs/pnmm8112.wp

Released: August 6, 1998. FY 1998 COMMERCIAL WIRELESS REGULATORY FEES.Dated August 3, 1998.

Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1998/pnmc8045.wp

Released: August 6, 1998. FY 1998 CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM REGULATORY FEES.Dated August 3, 1998 -.

Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1998/pnmc8044.wp

Released: August 6, 1998. FY 1998 INTERNATIONAL AND SATELLITE SERVICES REGULATORY FEES.Dated August 3, 1998. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1998/pnmc8046.wp

Released: August 6, 1998. EXTENSION OF SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY GRANTED TO CERTAIN BROADBAND PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES C BLOCK LICENSES. (DA No. 98-1567).

Report No: CWS-98-44. Released: August 6, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS INFORMATION. Contact: Irene Longin or Irene Griffith: (202) 418-1385. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1998/pnw18091.wp

SPEECHES

PRESS STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN KENNARD ON FCC'S ACTIONS TO PROMOTE DEPLOYMENT OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES BY ALL PROVIDERS. Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/Statements/stwek860.html>

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LYNCSTAR INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS, LLC. Granted application for open video system certification for Aurora, Colorado. Action by Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-1577). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da981577.wp>

1998 BIENNIAL REGULATORY REVIEW -- REFORM OF THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS POLICY AND ASSOCIATED FILING REQUIREMENTS. Proposed rules to reform the international settlement policy to promote greater competition and lower international calling prices. The Commission proposed to lift regulations under the existing policy that restricts the kinds of arrangements U.S. carriers may enter into with foreign telecommunications carriers in World Trade Organization member countries. Dkt No.: IB-98-148. Action by the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by NPRM. (FCC No. 98-190). IB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Notices/1998/fcc98190.pdf>

AMENDMENT OF PART 90 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES. Amended Part 90 of the Rules to adopt geographic partitioning and spectrum disaggregation rules for the 220-222 MHz service. Dkt No.: PR-89-552, GN-93-252. Action by the Commission. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by 5th R&O. (FCC No. 98-186). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/fcc98186.wp>

GARY E. STOFFER. Reinstated Application To Modify 220 MHz Service License - WPCA518, Chatsworth, California. Action by Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1562). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981562.wp>

ANGELL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Denied Angell's requests for reconsideration of the Branch's dismissal of its application to modify 220 MHz service license at Jackson, MS. Action by Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1563). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981563.wp>

ONQUE COMMUNICATIONS. Denied OnQue request to rescind its Motion for Waiver under the broadband PCS C Block Reconsideration Order. Action by Chief, Auctions Finance and Industry Analysis Branch, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1573). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981573.wp>

DENVER PARTNERS/FRANK COFFEY/BJI PARTNERSHIP. Denied petitions for reconsideration of dismissal of applications to modify 220 MHz service licenses. Action by Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: August 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1561). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da981561.wp>